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Listing of the claims

- 1. (previously presented) A method for selectively labeling or tagging one or more phosphate groups in a natural or synthetic peptide or protein groups which also which one to delete? contains one or more carboxylic acid groups or esters thereof which method comprises the steps of:

 - a. reacting the natural or synthetic peptide or protein with a protective group that is an amine that reacts to protect the one or more phosphate groups therein by forming phosphoramide bonds and to protect any carboxylic acid groups and esters thereof therein by forming amide bonds;
 - b. treating the protected peptide or protein under conditions which selectively substantially cleave the phosphoramide bonds, without substantially cleaving the amide bonds to regenerate one or more free phosphate groups in the peptide or protein; and
 - reacting the one or more free phosphate groups in the peptide or protein, C. in which the carboxylic acids groups remain protected, with a label or tag comprising a functional group that reacts with a phosphate group to thereby generate a peptide or protein in which the phosphate groups are selectively labeled or tagged.

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3. (previously presented) The method of claim 1 wherein the label or tag is a solid phase material and the one or more free phosphate groups of the peptide or protein are covalently linked to the solid phase material directly or indirectly through a linker moiety.

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1) An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions

be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure

consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

2) Claim 1 has been amended as follows:

In claim 1, line two, the word "groups" has been deleted.

3) Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Sally

Sullivan on May 11, 2004.

4) An inquiry of a general nature which is <u>not related to the prosecution on the merits</u>

should be directed to Technology Center 1600 telephone number (571) 272-1600. The general fax

number for the USPTO is (703) 872-9306.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should

be directed to Mary (Molly) E. Ceperley whose telephone number is (571) 272-0813. The examiner can

normally be reached from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor,

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